

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1370)

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-2010) (P)

SUBJECT: FRANK LOVERDE, aka;  
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—(OO: Chicago)

DATE: 2/13/69

Re Chicago letter to Kansas City 2/10/69.

CARL F. ZARTER, Administrative Assistant, U.S. penitentiary (USP), Leavenworth, Kansas, on 2/13/69, advised IC  as follows:

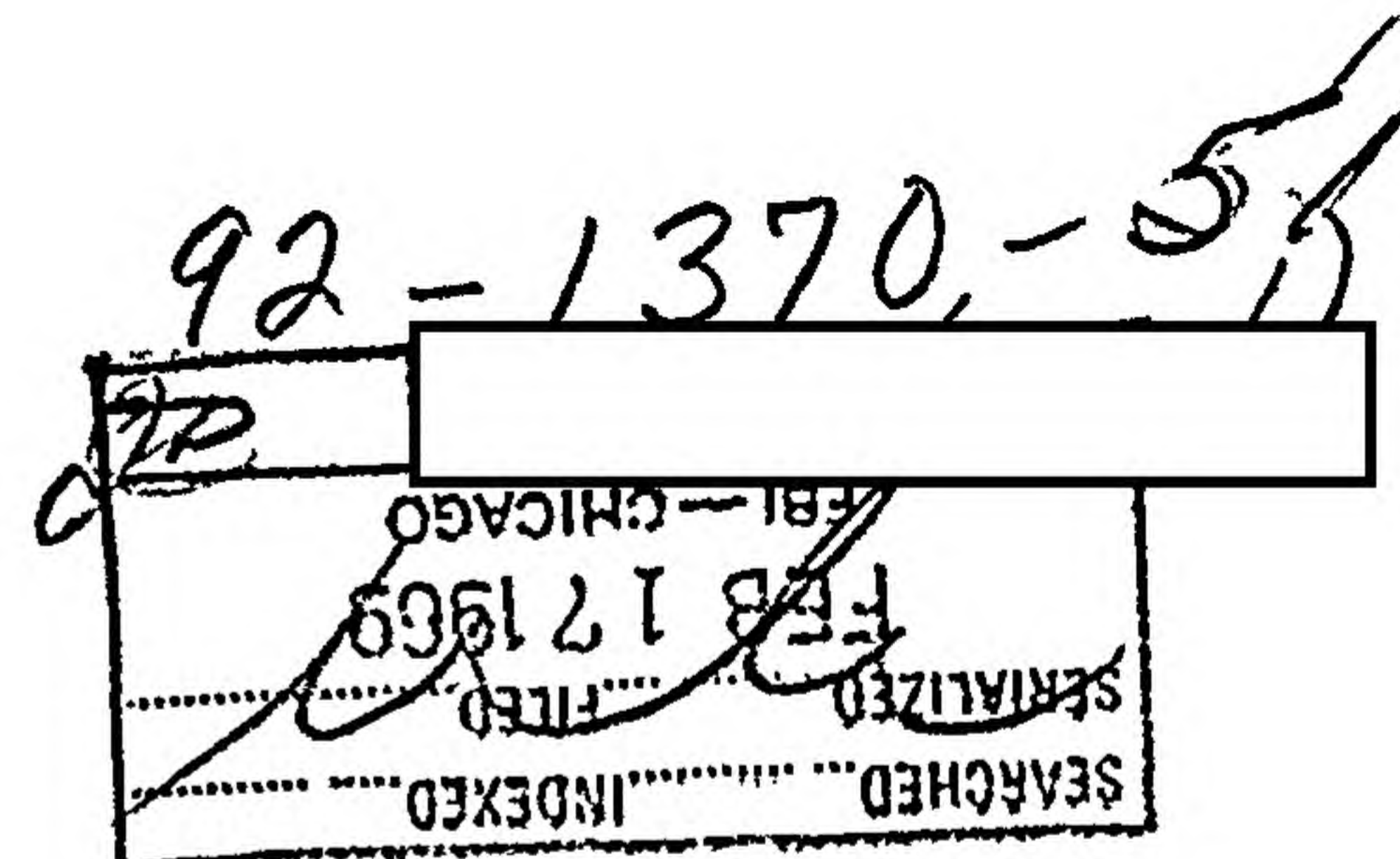
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FRANK RUSSO, USP # 49307, true name FRANK LOVERDE, was received USP 7/7/36 from the ND of Illinois at Chicago. He was paroled from the USP 3/6/39. USP file # 49307, pertaining to RUSSO's incarceration USP is now stored at the Federal Records Center, GSA, 2306 East Bannister Road, Kansas City, Missouri, attention - Chief, Reference Service Branch, GSA - Accession No. 65 A 10, boxes 85327 - 87468. Background data for RUSSO is not available USP.

Kansas City, at Kansas City, Missouri, will review RUSSO's USP file #49307, pursuant to Kansas City lead in relet.

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1370)

FRANK LOVERDE, aka  
Frank Micano,  
Frank Russo,  
Frank Loverdi,  
Frank Rizzi,  
"BUTCH"  
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LOVERDE has been identified as a LCN member in the Chicago family and additional background information is desired concerning him.

In 1936 LOVERDE was convicted of counterfeiting and sentenced to seven years. In 1939 he was paroled from Leavenworth Penitentiary. There is no indication that LOVERDE served in the military service during World War II, probably because of his being a convict.

It is requested that Springfield review Selective Service records in an effort to locate information concerning him. LOVERDE has always been a resident of Chicago.

LOVERDE is described as follows:

DOB:	2/28/03, driver's license 2/4/05, Tam-O-Shanter, Golf Membership
POB:	Chicago
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Height:	5' 6"
Weight:	170 - 180
Eyes:	Hazel
Hair:	Brown

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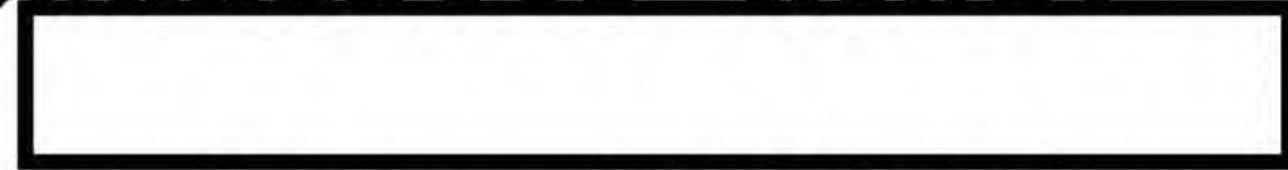
FROM :  SAC, KANSAS CITY (92-2010) -RUC-

SUBJECT: FRANK LOVERDE, aka;  
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(OO-Chicago)

Re Chicago letter to Kansas City, dated 2/10/69;  
and Kansas City letter to Chicago, dated 2/13/69.

Enclosed for Chicago is one copy each of three  
reports obtained from RUSSO's USP-Leavenworth, Kansas file.

On 2/20/69, Mr. WILLIAM J. CABY, Reference Super-  
visor, Federal Records Center-GSA, 2306 E. Bannister Road,  
Kansas City, Missouri, made available to IC  U. S. Penitentiary (USP), Leavenworth, Kansas file #49307-L  
pertaining to FRANK RUSSO. The file disclosed that FRANK  
RUSSO, also known as Frank Rice, "Butch", Frank Loverde (TN),  
was sentenced at Chicago, Illinois on 5/5/36 to terms of  
4-7 years and to 2-years concurrent, on charge of counter-  
feiting-possession-dealing-conspiracy. Sentence commenced  
6/18/36. RUSSO was committed to USP-Leavenworth on 7/7/36,  
full time expiring 6/17/43.

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During incarceration at USP-Leavenworth, RUSSO  
corresponded with the following individuals:

Wife	LOUISE RUSSO 1118 N. State , Chicago, Illinois;
Mother	MARGARET LAVARDO, 912 Sedgwick Street, Chicago, Illinois
Brother	GEORGE LAVARDO, 415 West Oak Street, Chicago, Illinois

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Brother

VICTOR LAVARDO  
912 Sedgwick Street,  
Chicago, Illinois

Mother-in-law

Mrs. R. SAUNDERS  
Tahlequah, Oklahoma

In addition to RUSSO's brothers, his wife and mother, he was visited by his sister JOSEPHINE DECARO, 1139 Webster Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. CABY made available one copy each of Admission Summary Report, Parole Progress Report and Parole Report by U. S. Attorney obtained from RUSSO's USP-Leavenworth file.

All available background information pertaining to RUSSO contained in enclosed reports.



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**DETAILS:**

**Birth**

It is previously reported that records disclosed LOVERDE was born on the following dates:

February 28, 1903; Driver's License Section, Secretary of States Office, State of Illinois.

February 4, 1905; membership listed Tam-O-Shanter Golf Club.

Records pertaining to LOVERDE under the name FRANK RUSSO, while an inmate at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1936, and located at the Federal Records Center, Kansas City, Missouri, made available to Investigative Clerk (IC) [REDACTED] disclosed the following information:

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LOVERDE was born February 28, 1907, in the United States.

Records of the Selective Service System, State of Illinois, made available by Major WARD, Selective Service Board, Springfield, Illinois, on February 28, 1969, to a representative of the Springfield Office disclosed the following:

LOVERDE was born on February 27, 1904, at Chicago, Illinois.

It is noted that it was not mandatory to register birth in Chicago, Illinois, prior to 1916.

**Education**

Records at the United States Penitentiary, previously mentioned, disclosed that LOVERDE began school when six years of age, and completed seven grades. He left school at the age of 14 to work.



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Family

Records of the United States Penitentiary, previously mentioned, identified the following family members of LOVERDE:

Father

(FNU) LOVERDE, born in Italy. He arrived in the United States about 1901. In 1936 he was 70 years old.

Mother

MARGARET LOVERDE, nee MISANO, born in Italy. She arrived in the United States about 1902. She was 65 years of age in 1936.

Brothers

GEORGE LOVERDE  
VICTOR LOVERDE

Sister

JOSEPHINE DE CARO

LOVERDE was the fourth of five children born to (FNU) and MARGARET LOVERDE.

Marriage

Records of the United States Penitentiary, previously mentioned, disclosed that LOVERDE commenced living in common-law relationship with LOUISE TEEHEE, originally from Siloam Springs, Arkansas, in March, 1934, in Chicago, when he was 27 years of age. LOVERDE was 17 years of age, at the time this relationship was instituted.

LOVERDE had a seventh grade education and had known LOUISE four months before starting this relationship. They had no children as of July 7, 1936.

Confinement At United States Penitentiary,  
Leavenworth, Kansas



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Records of the United States Penitentiary, previously mentioned, disclosed that information concerning LOVERDE being an inmate is listed under file number 49307-L, and pertains to FRANK RUSSO. RUSSO is also known as FRANK RICE, and "BUTCH." His true name is FRANK LOVERDE, and he was sentenced at Chicago, Illinois, on May 5, 1936, to terms of four to seven years and two years to run concurrently on the charge of Counterfeiting-Possession-Conspiracy. His sentence commenced on June 18, 1936. He was committed to the United States Penitentiary on July 7, 1936, with full time expiring on June 17, 1943.

During his incarceration he corresponded with the following individuals:

Wife	LOUISE RUSSO 1118 North State, Chicago, Illinois
Mother	MARGARET LOVERDE 912 Sedgwick, Chicago, Illinois
Brothers	GEORGE LOVERDE 415 West Oak, Chicago, Illinois  VICTOR LOVERDE 912 Sedgwick, Chicago, Illinois
Mother-in-law	Mrs. R. SAUNDERS Tahlequah, Oklahoma

In addition, LOVERDE was visited in the United States Penitentiary by his wife, his mother, his brother, and his sister, Mrs. JOSEPHINE DE CARO, 1139 Webster, Chicago.

LOVERDE was born on February 28, 1907, in the United States, and was also a citizen of the United States, is of the white race, and was married.

Regarding the offense involving counterfeiting,



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LOVERDE stated he was a first offender, also "broke" and sick with a bad case of syphilis. He was the go-between for manufacturing and passers of counterfeit currency. He was unable to earn a living any other way, and had to do something to support himself and his common-law wife, with whom he had lived with for over two years.

### Family

LOVERDE's father was born in Italy, and arrived in the United States about 1901. He remained a citizen of Italy. He was illiterate, a butcher by occupation, and was in good health at the age of 70 in 1936. LOVERDE's mother was born in Italy, and arrived in the United States in 1902. She had no education, and was a housewife and butcher by occupation. She was 65 years of age in 1936.

LOVERDE was the fourth of five children born to his parents. He had two brothers and two sisters living, and one has been in prison. Two brothers served jail sentences for liquor violations.

### Personal Data

LOVERDE was born in Chicago, Illinois, on February 28, 1907. His religion was Catholic. His family moved within the City of Chicago during his childhood. He left home at the age of 27 to marry. He began school at six, and left at age 14 to go to work. He had experience in a meat market, and was employed in this capacity when arrested. He has not been in military service. He listed reading and attending movies as his chief form of recreation. He smoked, but did not drink.

LOVERDE was married at age of 27 to LOUISE TEEHEE, in March, 1934, in Chicago. He expects to reunite with her on his release. They did not have children.

### Neuropsychiatric Report

Tests given to LOVERDE show that his offense was the result of economic pressures. Also, he showed an indiscreet behavior pattern in which he disregards the property



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rights and privileges of society. He has been involved in minor difficulties previously. He appeared to have average test intelligence, and he was emotionally unstable.

Description

Name	FRANK LOVERDE, also known as Frank Russo, Frank Rice, and "Butch"
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	February 28, 1907
Place of Birth	Chicago, Illinois
Height	64½"
Weight	170 pounds
Education	Completed seven grades
Marital Status	Married; common-law wife, LOUISE LOVERDE nee TEEHEE
Religion	Catholic

Selective Service Registration

Records of the Selective Service System, mentioned previously, disclosed that FRANK MISANO LEVERTE, Serial Number 803, Order Number 10328, registered at Local Board 64, Chicago, Illinois, on February 16, 1942. At the time of registration he resided at 912 North Sedgwick, Chicago, and his mailing address was the same. He was 38 years of age, and born in Chicago, on February 25, 1904. VICTOR LOVERDE, 401 West Oak, is the person who would always know his whereabouts. His employer was also listed as VICTOR LOVERDE at that address.

LOVERDE was described as being of the white race, standing 5'6" in height, weighing 180 pounds, having black eyes, black hair, dark complexion, and having a scar on his left cheek.

Residence

CG T-1 advised that LOVERDE is spending the



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winter months in Palm Springs, California.

Description

The various descriptions of LOVERDE were obtained from records of the Chicago Police Department, United States Penitentiary; previously mentioned, and Selective Service System, previously mentioned:

Name	FRANK LOVERDE, also known as Frank Misano Loverde, Frank Micano Loverde, Frank Russo, Frank Loverdi, Frank Rizzi, Frank Rice, "Butch"
Dates of Birth	Illinois Drivers License; February 28, 1903; Tam-O-Shanter Membership; February 4, 1905; Records of United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth; February 23, 1907; Selective Service Registration; February 25, 1904;
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5'6"
Weight	180 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark
Occupation	Bar tender; butcher; lounge operator
FBI Number	1 040 884
Marital Status	Lived common-law relationship with LOUISE nee TEEHEE, from March, 1934, in Chicago; LOUISE, age 19, in 1936
Illinois Drivers Licenses	L 163-2730-3059; L 463-2600-3039



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**Relatives**

Father, (FNU) LOVERDE,  
born in Italy, arrived  
in United States about  
1901, age 70 in 1936

Mother, MARGARET nee  
MISANO, born in Italy,  
arrived in United States  
about 1902, age 65 in  
1936

Brothers, GEORGE LOVERDE;  
VICTOR LOVERDE

Sister, JOSEPHINE DE CARO  
(LOVERDE was fourth of  
five children born to par-  
ents).